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STATISTICAL TABLE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	LAY-DELEGATES.	Rec'd	Rem'd.	Died.	Expel'd.	Total no. members
Hank's Chapel,	T. J. Fowler, J. R. Holt,	Wm. Gunter, S. M. Holt, R. J. Hatch, N. J. Neal,	22	1	1	1	180
O'Kelley's Chapel,	T. J. Fowler,	C. S. Holliman, J. B. Stone,	1			4	138
Christian Chapel,	J. W. Wellons,	N. Womble, Wm. Holt,	15	2		2	113
PPt Grove, Randolph.	D. T. Deanes, A. S. Nelson,	J. Brady, Jas. Brady,			2		118
Pope's Chapel,	P. W. Allen,	T. A. Martin, M. C. Winston	1	1			122
Mt. Bethel,	B. N. Hopkins,	Dr. J. Strader, H. G. Purcell	18	1			51
Pleasant Spring,	J. W. Wellons,	A. S. Utley,	10				81
Shallow Well,	Wm. Rollins, J. N. Farrell,	J. A. Gunter, C. C. Wicker,	16				85
Salem Chapel,	B. N. Hopkins	J. Fulton, H. Marshall, Abraham Fulton,	77	1			113
Raleigh,	Wm. N. Bragg,	J. O. Mullins, M. Williams,	22				97
Midway,	J. N. Manning,	C. E. Allen,	3		1		50
Bethel,	J. R. Holt,	N. Boon, S. Boon,	2	1			38
Antioch,	J. N. Farrell,	Wm. H. Guthrie,	11				35
Pleasant Grove, Va.	J. N. Manning,	By Letter,			4	1	62
Pleasant Ridge,	D. T. Deanes,	W. R. Brown,	6			1	54
Fuller's,	P. W. Allen,	J. O. Cogwell, J. W. Cogwell	1				36
Newbern,	H. B. Hayes,	John T. Ball,	22	5	2	6	184
Plt Grove, Chatham,	J. W. Wellons,	T. H. Lawrance,	2	2	1		56
Shiloh, N. C.	D. T. Deanes,	Dr. S. J. Moffitt, H. A. Albright,					57
Zion,	J. W. Wellons,	S. M. Burns, J. R. Gunter,	8		5		85
Oak Level,	P. W. Allen,	W. K. Martin, H. Freeman,	1				39
Shady Grove,	D. T. Deanes,	E. Moor, A. Martin,	1		1		35
Damascus,	G. G. Walker,	J. W. Pritchard, M. McCollum,	4				67
Christian Union,	D. T. Deanes, A. S. Nelson,	W. W. Lawrence, S. Richardson,	2		1		82
Bethlehem,	R. G. Tinnin,	L. L. Lambeth,	9	1			100
Good Hope,	P. W. Allen,	David Bragg,	7	2		2	63
Wake Chapel,	J. W. Wellons,	J. Q. Fish, Benj. Gardner,	8	4		2	81
Brown's Chapel,	W. Jordan, D. T. Deanes,	W. A. Nall, Jas. Craven,	1				21
Union, Va.	J. N. Manning,	R. Tuck, R. D. Jones,	12				142
Shallow Ford,	T. J. Fowler,	John Cummings,		3	2	2	54
Pleasant Hill,	A. Isely,	J. Fogleman, J. M. Sheridan, S. Edwards,	2	2	1		102
Acorn Ridge,	D. T. Deanes, A. S. Nelson,	By Letter,					12
Liberty Hill,	P. W. Allen,	By Letter,	8			2	11
Park's Roads,	D. T. Deanes,	Jas. Stout, Eli Cox,					54
Union Stand,	B. N. Hopkins,	Not Represented,	7				17
Brown's Chapel, Guil.	B. N. Hopkins,	Not Represented,					15
Gant's Chapel,	B. N. Hopkins,	Not Represented,	4				6
Pine Ridge,	B. N. Hopkins,	Not Represented,					6
Hine's Chapel,	B. N. Hopkins,	Not Represented,	13				24
New Providence,	A. Isely, R. G. Tinnin,	B. Gragson, Jos. A. Long, Wm. S. Long, Dr. B. A. Sellars,	30	1	2		300
Union, Alamance,	A. Isley, R. G. Tinnin,	A. King, John Faucett, B. Hazel, E. F. Watson,					475
Lebanon,	A. G. Anderson,	C. A. Apple,	7	1	1		42
Apple's Chapel,	S. Apple,	Not Represented,					75
Mt. Zion,	A. G. Anderson, G. G. Walker,	John Lynch,					75
Concord,	A. G. Anderson,	J. G. Garrison,					25
Mt. Auburn,	J. N. Manning,	Wm. H. Read, J. D. Cole,					71
Reese's Chapel,	A. Apple,	Not Represented,					50
Liberty,	A. G. Anderson,	Jehu Bird,					10
Moore Union,							29
Utley's School House,							17
			312	63	20	34	3833

Below we give, as accurately as we can, the amounts contributed by the several churches for the Conference Fund. We are sorry that some of our most wealthy churches did so little for a fund so necessary to the success of our cause :

SECRETARY.

Damascus.....	\$3.95	Shallow Ford.....	1.60
Bethel.....	1.20	Pleasant Grove, N. C.....	2.00
Mt. Bethel.....	2.20	Union, Va.....	7.15
Mt. Auburn.....	11.25	Pleasant Spring.....	2.00
Pleasant Hill, Chatham....	2.00	O'Kelley's Chapel.....	11.38
Christian Chapel.....	2.50	New Providence.....	2.00
Raleigh	2.25	Union, Alamance.....	2.00
Zion.....	4.25	Concord.....	1.00
Shallow Well	1.00	Apple's Chapel.....	4.06
Oak Level	2.00	Mt. Zion.....	1.50
Bethlehem.....	1.00	Antioch.....	1.80
Pope's Chapel.....	.65	Wake Chapel.....	4.75
Pleasant Grove, Randolph.	1.00	Shiloh.....	50
Pleasant Grove, Va.....	5.00	Acorn Ridge.....	25
Hank's Chapel..	19.00	Brown's Chapel.....	50
Good Hope.....	4.50	Concord.....	75

The above is all that the Secretary is able to make out from the imperfect record furnished. The Conference Treasurer gave his receipt for \$112.05. S. A.

About \$400.00 was subscribed for the benefit of the Home Missionary Society connected with the Conference.

SECRETARY.

MINUTES.

PLEASANT HILL, N. C., Oct. 10th, 1860.

The "NORTH CAROLINA AND VIRGINIA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE" met, according to appointment, and was called to order by Dr. E. F. Watson, President of last session.

Singing and prayer by Elder B. N. Hopkins.

On motion of Josiah McCulloch, a committee of five was appointed to recommend suitable officers for the permanent organization of Conference.

Committee appointed by the Chair: Elders J. McCulloch, A. Iseley, B. N. Hopkins, Jas. W. Wellons and T. J. Fowler.

Committee reported that they recommend Dr. E. F. Watson for President, Wm. K. Martin, Vice-President, Solomon Apple, Secretary, and Wm. S. Long, Assistant Secretary.

The vote being taken separately, the brethren recommended by said committee were unanimously elected permanent officers of Conference.

On motion, Elders Wm. B. Wellons and E. W. Beale, messengers from the Eastern Virginia Conference, were invited to take seats in Conference.

On motion, the names of ministers and delegates were enrolled.

Elders present—G. G. Walker, J. W. Wellons, B. N. Hopkins, Wm. M. Craven, A. G. Anderson, D. T. Deanes, Thos. G. Craven, Jos. Albright, A. S. Nelson, W. N. Bragg, J. McCulloch, T. J. Fowler, H. B. Hayes, W. H. Doherty, J. N. Manning, Solomon Apple, Robt. G. Tinnin, Alfred Iseley, P. W. Allen.

✓ *Elders absent*—Alfred Apple, Thos. Truitt, L. Lambeth, Anderson Craven, Wm. S. Jordan, John R. Holt, James I. Hobby, Chastien Allen, A. Franks, Wm. Rollins, T. E. Jeter, Job S. Swift, Jos. B. Hinton.

Licentiates present—L. C. Madison, J. N. Farrell, A. T. Rich.

Licentiate absent—Abner Apple.

On motion, the name of L. C. Ragland was dropped from the minutes of Conference.

On motion of B. N. Hopkins, the names of the Churches were called, and names of delegates present enrolled.

✓ *Names of Delegates*—J. W. Pritchard, Matthew McCollum, C. E. Allen, W. S. Boon, Nasa Boon, John Q. Fish, Benjamin Gardner, W. H. Guthrie, W. H. Reid, John D. Cole, Isaac Fogleman, James M. Sheridan, Sampson Edwards, W. P. Holt, Nath. Womble, M. M. Williams, Jas. O. Mullins, J. R. Gunter, Spencer M. Burns, John A. Gunter, C. C. Wicker, W. K. Martin, H. L. Freeman, C. A. Apple, L. L. Lambeth, J. Gilliam, Stephen Richardson, W. W. Lawrence, T. A. Martin, M. C. Winston, John Brady, James Brady, Eli Cox, James Stout, William Gunter, R. J. Hatch, N. J. Neal, S. M. Holt, Dr. S. J. Moffit, H. A. Albright, David Bragg, Angus Martin, Ezekiel Moore, Wm. A. Nall, Joseph Craven, John Cummins, T. H. Lawrence, James O. Cogwell, Jos. W. Cogwell, Richard Tuck, R. D. Jones, W. R. Brown, Alexander S. Utly, J. B. Stone, S. Holliman, B. Gragson, Jos. A. Long, W. S. Long, Dr. B. A. Sellars, Alvis King, John Faucett, B. Hazell, J. G. Garrison, J. Bird, H. Marshall, Joel Fulton, Abraham Fulton, John T. Ball, John Lynch, Dr. J. Strader, H. G. Purcell, E. F. Watson.

On motion of R. D. Jones, the reading of the minutes of last Conference was dispensed with.

On motion of B. N. Hopkins, the letters from the various Churches were called for.

On motion, the opening address of Elder J. N. Manning was deferred until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

On motion, the letters handed in were read by the Secretary.

On motion, a committee of three was appointed to examine and report upon the letters read before Conference. T. G. Craven, B. N. Hopkins, J. W. Wellons, said committee.

On motion, Conference adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock. Prayer by A. G. Anderson.

OCTOBER 11th, 9 o'clock.

Conference met, according to adjournment. Prayer by Prof. Wm. H. Doherty.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

On motion, Conference resolved to adjourn to the stand, to hear the address of Elder Manning.

On motion, the delivery of the address was deferred until the reading of some letters was gone through with.

The President reported the following committees:

On Ordination—Prof. Wm. H. Doherty, A. Isely, B. N. Hopkins, T. J. Fowler, A. G. Anderson.

On the standing and character of Ministers—Wm. K. Martin, H. Marshall, Dr. B. A. Sellars, Dr. S. J. Moffitt, Jos. Stone.

On Itinerancy—R. D. Jones, M. C. Winston, L. L. Lambeth, J. Strader, John Faucett.

On Education—Prof. Wm. H. Doherty, A. G. Anderson, B. N. Hopkins.

On Temperance—J. N. Manning, D. T. Deanes, S. M. Holt.

On Sabbath Schools—Jas. W. Wellons, G. G. Walker, Dr. S. J. Moffitt.

On Unfinished Business—Thos. Craven, Jos. McCulloch, Joseph Albright.

On Finances—John Faucett, R. J. Hatch, John Lynch.

On Periodicals—J. N. Manning, H. B. Hayes, Wm .N. Bragg.

On Memoirs—Solomon Apple, Jas. W. Wellons, H. B. Hayes.

On Home Missions—B. N. Hopkins, G. G. Walker, J. N. Manning, R. G. Tinnin, Jos. Gilliam.

To examine Candidates for License—A. Isely, Jos. McCulloch, T. J. Fowler.

At the hour of 11 o'clock, Conference repaired to the stand, where Elder John N. Manning delivered an excellent and eloquent address in the presence of a large congregation.

Adjourned until 2 o'clock.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

On motion, C. A. Apple was invited to take a seat in Conference as a member from Lebanon Church.

On motion, the President was authorized to invite all ministers of other denominations to sit in Conference with us as honorary members.

Resolved, That the letter handed into Conference by Bro. Mark M. Williams be returned to its owner, because it is not presented in conformity with the rules of Conference.

On motion, J. N. Manning was requested to furnish a copy of his address, to be published with the minutes of Conference.

On motion of B. N. Hopkins, a committee of three was appointed, to which the letter received from the Raleigh Church was referred.

The Chair appointed B. N. Hopkins, A. Iseley and A. G. Anderson said committee.

On motion, Conference adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

7 o'clock, P. M.

Conference met, according to adjournment.

The committee on the letter received from the Raleigh Church made the following

REPORT.

That we have taken said letter into consideration, and from the proof adduced in the investigation, cannot see that there is any thing criminal or inconsistent in the conduct of Elder Wm. N. Bragg.

B. N. HOPKINS, *Chairman*.

On motion of J. W. Wellons—

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to ascertain the amount of money sent up from each Church for minutes, to whom they are to be directed, and also the number of minutes to be published.

Whereupon H. B. Hayes, J. W. Wellons and J. N. Manning, were appointed said committee.

On motion of J. N. Manning—

Resolved, That all our ministers be requested to take up a collection to increase the Conference fund the ensuing year.

On motion, Conference adjourned until to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock. Prayer by T. J. Fowler.

OCTOBER 12th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Conference met, according to adjournment. Prayer by Elder Wm. N. Bragg.

R. D. Jones offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the next annual session of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference be held with the Church at Hank's Chapel, Chatham Co., N. C., commencing on Wednesday evening before the second Sabbath in October, 1861.

On motion of Elder Wm. N. Bragg, the above resolution was made the special order for 8 o'clock, P. M.

Resolved, That the Chair now appoint three delegates to represent us in the Eastern Virginia Christian Conference.

Elders S. Apple, J. N. Manning and P. W. Allen were appointed.

On motion, Elder J. W. Wellons was added to the number.

Resolved, That Prof. Wm. H. Doherty deliver an address at the commencement of our next annual session.

On motion of Josiah McCulloch, P. W. Allen was appointed alternate.

On motion, Conference adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

3 o'clock, P. M.

Conference met, according to adjournment.

The Committee on Ordination made the following

REPORT.

That they have examined Bro. John N. Farrell in Scripture doctrine and fitness for the office of the Christian ministry, and recommend that he be ordained.

W. H. DOHERTY, *Chairman*.

On motion, W. H. Doherty, B. N. Hopkins and T. J. Fowler, were appointed a committee to set apart Bro. Farrell, by the imposition of hands, to the office of Elder in the Christian Church.

The Committee on Education made the following

REPORT.

The Committee on Education report: That they consider it altogether unnecessary, in this age of the world, and in this enlightened country, to occupy time and space in enlarging on the utility and importance of Education.

This makes the difference between the civilized man and the savage, and to it we owe the blessings of liberty and knowledge, with all those sciences and arts that adorn and dignify life. The Christian denomination, South, has founded and established a College at Graham, where education without sectarianism may be obtained by our people.

It is presided over and conducted by Prof. W. H. Doherty, who is well qualified for his responsible situation; every accommodation for the most convenient and satisfactory boarding, both for young ladies and gentlemen is now prepared, and it only remains for our people to sustain their College by their subscriptions, to secure an endowment fund, and to patronize the College by sending their sons and daughters to the same.

W. H. DOHERTY, *Chairman.*

After the above report was received, the Conference was entertained with speeches from Prof. Wm. H. Doherty and Elder John N. Manning in favor of education, and the necessity of active co-operation upon this subject.

The Committee on Periodicals made the following report, which was received and adopted:

REPORT.

We, your Committee on Periodicals, beg leave to report:

We conceive that a good religious periodical is the surest and most efficient means for conveying the truths of heaven and a knowledge of the Gospel of our Saviour to the world that can be used, as it can speak where the minister cannot have access, and when his voice would be hushed in silence. It preaches at the fire-side, and with a noiseless step it reaches the public bar; and in every place, heedless of the taunts and scoffs of the multitude, it teaches lessons of mercy and love.

We believe that our Church organ, the *Christian Sun*, so ably edited by our beloved brother, Rev. W. B. Wellons, fully meet the wants of our denomination and the public, and we recommend it to the universal patronage of our Churches and its friends.

Submitted,

J. N. MANNING,
H. B. HAYES,
W. N. BRAGG.

On motion of Elder A. G. Anderson, the sum of twenty dollars was appropriated to the benefit of the widow of Elder S. G. Evans, and a like sum to the widow of Elder D. W. Kerr, to be paid out of the Conference fund.

On motion, Conference adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

7 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Conference met, according to adjournment.

The Committee on Temperance made the following

REPORT.

In view of the evils arising from intemperance, we conceive that we cannot denounce in too severe terms the use as a beverage of all intoxicating liquors.

We are persuaded that no curse has ever visited our earth of greater magnitude; that it is paramount, in its numerous train of woes, to devastation and wars, pestilence and famine. It has carried wretchedness to many pleasant homes, and feuds and quarrels into many family circles. It has reduced the opulent to poverty, the happy to a state of misery, degradation and want, and made the peaceable quiet riotous and disloyal. It has been the cause of private disturbances and public abuses. It has poisoned the cup of bliss at the fire-side, and disgraced the assembly in the legislative hall. Therefore, we recommend that Conference discountenance the use of all spirituous liquors as a beverage among all our Churches.

JOHN N. MANNING, *Chairman.*

Received and adopted.

The resolution in favor of holding the next session of Conference with the Church at Hank's Chapel, on Wednesday before the second Sunday in October, 1861, was unanimously adopted.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following report:

That we find no unfinished business belonging to the Conference. All of which is respectfully submitted,

THOS. G. CRAVEN, *Chairman.*

The Conference Committee for the past year made the following report, which was received and adopted.

REPORT.

That there has nothing occurred during the past Conference year which required our attention, except the unfortunate Raleigh difficulty, between Bros. Bragg, Hays and Hinton; which difficulty, owing to circumstances, we were unable to settle; all of which has been brought before your body, and stands open for your action.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. FOWLER, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Home Missions made the following report, which was received and adopted :

R E P O R T .

Your committee regard the subject of Missions one of vast importance; one which claims the attention and support of every friend and well-wisher of our church. This will be apparent to all when we take into consideration the fact that almost daily calls are made for our ministers, in almost every direction. In the North and South, the East and West, the cry is heard, "Come and help us." The past history of our church shows that wherever our ministers have gone in the fear of God, and in fidelity to our cause, churches have sprung up to the glory of God and the good of man. Your committee would therefore recommend the subject of Missions to the ministers and members of our churches connected with our Conference, hoping our ministers will present the subject in the most favorable manner to their people, and endeavor to raise a large fund for Missions by the next meeting of Conference. If we can secure a sufficient Missionary Fund to continue missionaries constantly in the field, our cause must and will prosper. All of which is respectfully submitted,

B. N. HOPKINS, *Chairman.*

On motion of J. N. Manning, the Chair appointed a committee of three to recommend a suitable course of study for young men preparing for the ministry. The Chair appointed Elders B. N. Hopkins, A. G. Anderson, and J. N. Manning.

The committee appointed to correspond with the Free-Will Baptists, made their report, which was received and adopted.

R E P O R T .

We, your committee appointed at your last session to correspond with the original Free-Will Baptist Conference, beg leave to report—

Since your last session one of the committee has corresponded and held an interview with some of their ministers and members in reference to the anticipated union between them and the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference.

We have not been able to accomplish much yet, and whether we can ever effect it or not, we are unable to say. But from all the circumstances in connection with it, we think it best to continue the committee at least another year. The Free-Will Baptist Conference also desire it.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to correspond with the original Free-Will Baptist Conference, and report to the next session.

J. W. WELLONS, *Chairman.*

Conference then adjourned to to-morrow morning at 11 o'clock. Prayer by Elder A. Iseley.

OCTOBER 13, 11 o'clock, A. M.

Conference met, pursuant to adjournment. Prayer by Prof. W. H. Doherty.

A resolution was offered by B. N. Hopkins :

Resolved, That the churches be recommended to consult and instruct their delegates with regard to dividing the Conference into districts at its next annual session.

Which, after some debate, was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by J. N. Manning, which was unanimously received and adopted :

Resolved, That we, as a Conference, fully endorse a book entitled, "The Christians South not Unitarians in Sentiment," by Rev. W. B. Wellons; a reply to J. Paris' publication against the Christians; and that we believe said reply to be a fair refutation of the foul assertions contained in Paris' book.

Conference then adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock, P. M.

2 O'CLOCK, P. M.

Conference met, pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee on Finance made the following report, which was received and adopted :

R E P O R T .

We, your Committee on Finance, ask leave to report, that we have examined the account of Thos. J. Fowler, Treasurer of the Conference Fund, and find that he stands charged with the following amounts :

To cash on hand, October, 1859, as per Minutes of said Conference	\$93 04
To cash received from E. W. Beale	1 50
To cash received from S. Apple, contributions to Conference Fund, October, 1860	112 05
	\$206 59
By cash paid W. B. Wellons, for Minutes.....	\$45 50
Traveling expenses to Raleigh, by order of Conf. Com. 3 55	
	49 05
	\$167 54
Interest on \$48 99, balance of old account	2 83
Balance on hand.....	\$170 37

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JNO. FAUCETT, *Chairman.*

The committee appointed to examine candidates entering the Gospel ministry, made the following report, which was received and adopted :

R E P O R T .

We, your committee appointed to examine candidates for admission into this Conference as Licentiates, would inform your body, that in discharging the duty of our position, we have examined the following brethren, viz. : W. S. Long, C. A. Apple, J. S. Lawrence, and Jno. Goodrich, in respect to their moral and mental qualifications to enter the Gospel ministry ; and would say that they possess very creditable and commendable qualifications for this important work, and would therefore recommend them as in every way worthy to receive license of this body. Respectfully submitted,

A. ISELEY, *Chairman.*

The Committee on the Character and Standing of the Ministers, made the following report, which was received and adopted :

R E P O R T .

That we find all of the ministers of this Conference in good and regular standing, except Dr. J. B. Hinton, whose recent letter to Conference does not manifest that spirit which should ever characterize a minister of the Gospel. Respectfully submitted,

W. K. MARTIN, *Chairman.*

The committee to whom was referred the printing of the Minutes, made the following report, which was received and adopted :

R E P O R T .

We, your committee on the publication of the Minutes of the present session of Conference, beg leave to report, that the sum of \$51 40 has been paid into the Conference fund, (as will appear in the statement appended,) for the purpose aforesaid, each church to receive copies in proportion to the amount paid. We recommend that they be printed at the office of the Christian Sun, and be forwarded by the publisher according to directions furnished.

H. B. HAYES, *Chairman.*

The following resolution, offered by R. D. Jones, was received and adopted :

Resolved, That the Raleigh Church, with the whole of its difficulties, be referred to the Conference Committee.

A resolution was adopted that the Chair appoint the usual Conference Committee. Said committee, J. N. Manning, S. Apple, and Wm. H. Read.

The following resolution, offered by Prof. W. H. Doherty, was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this Conference be tendered to the brethren and good friends around Pleasant Hill, for the kind and excellent treatment of the members and delegates of this Conference.

The Committee on Sabbath Schools made the following report, which was received and adopted :

R E P O R T .

We, your Committee on Sabbath Schools, beg leave to report. The subject of Sabbath Schools, we are sorry to say, is much neglected by our preachers and churches generally. We do hope that there will

be a new interest awakened again on the subject. We regard Sabbath Schools as the very nursery of the young mind ; and here the young should learn morality and the fundamentals of Christianity, to be built upon in the future, and by this they become conversant with the Scriptures, which prepares them for this life and eternity. We most earnestly solicit our preachers and members to exert their influence to organize a Sabbath School at all of our churches in the bounds of Conference. Respectfully submitted,

J. W. WELLONS, *Chairman*.

The Committee on Memoirs made the following report, which was received and adopted :

That nothing has come to their notice in the department assigned them.

SOL. APPLE, *Chairman*.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock, P. M.

7 o'clock, P. M., Conference met, agreeable to adjournment.

The report of the Committee on Itinerancy was received and adopted.

Your Committee on the Itinerancy beg leave to report the following arrangement of the Itinerancy :

DEEP RIVER CIRCUIT.—D. T. Deanes, itinerant, to preach at the following places: Shady Grove, \$25; Shiloh, N. C., \$40; Christian Union, \$30; Pleasant Ridge, \$35; Brown's Chapel, \$15; Park's Roads, \$40; Pleasant Grove, N. C., \$40; New Salem, \$10; Acorn Ridge, — \$15 pledged by Delegates. Total, \$250.

MOORE CIRCUIT.—John Goodrich, itinerant, to preach at the following churches: Zion, \$50; Shallow Well, \$50; Garmon's, \$50; Moore Union, \$15; Bell's \$40. Total, \$205.

STOKE'S CIRCUIT.—B. N. Hopkins and C. A. Apple, itinerants, to preach at the following places: Salem Chapel, Mount Bethel, Hines' Chapel, Brown's Chapel, Union Stand, Gant's Chapel, Park's Stand, and Pine Ridge.

CAPE FEAR CIRCUIT.—John N. Farrell, itinerant, to preach at the following places: Christian Chapel, \$60; Antioch, \$35; Pleasant Spring, \$50; Wake Chapel, \$75; Pleasant Hill, Johnston co., — Utey's School House, — Total, \$220.

TAR RIVER CIRCUIT.—G. G. Walker, itinerant, to preach at the following places: Mount Auburn, \$100; Pope's Chapel, \$50; Good Hope, \$35; Oak Level, \$35; Liberty Hill, \$15; Fuller's, \$5. Total \$240.

HAW RIVER CIRCUIT.—Thomas J. Fowler to preach at the following places: Shallow Ford, Damascus, Hank's Chapel, and O'Kelley's Chapel.

CASWELL CIRCUIT.—A. G. Anderson to preach at the following places: Lebanon, Concord, Beulah, and Mount Zion.

BETHLEHEM STATION.—A. Isely to preach at the following places: Bethlehem, Apple's, and New Providence.

GRAHAM STATION.—E. W. Beale to preach at the following places: New Providence and Union, Alamance Co., Pleasant Hill.

UNION STATION, Halifax, Va.—John N. Manning.

MIDWAY STATION, Granville Co.—Wm. S. Long.

RALEIGH STATION and Union, N. C.—R. G. Tinnin.

PLEASANT GROVE STATION.—Solomon Apple to preach at the following places: Pleasant Grove, Va., Lebanon, and Shiloh, Va.

DAN RIVER CIRCUIT.—A. Apple to preach at the following places: Reese's Chapel and Liberty Grove.

NEWBERN STATION.—P. W. Allen.

The above is not as perfect as your committee desired, but embraces all the churches and ministers brought to the notice of your committee. We are in hopes that every church will send up her delegates to the next Conference, instructed to have this Conference laid off into district circuits, so that all of our ministers can have fields of labor.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. JONES, *Chairman.*

The Chair announced the following brethren a committee to correspond with the Free-will Baptist Conference, viz: D. T. Deanes, T. J. Fowler, and H. B. Hayes.

On motion of John Faucett, Elder S. Apple, Secretary, was appointed to prepare the Minutes of Conference for the press. Also the statistical table to be appended.

On motion of B. N. Hopkins, the resolution ordering the opening address of Elder Manning to be printed with the Minutes was re-considered; and on motion of Prof. Doherty the Minutes of Conference and Elder Manning's address be published in separate pamphlets, and the expense of publishing the address be paid out of the Conference fund.

On motion by Elder Hopkins, the following churches, organized by him during the last Conference year, viz:—Brown's Chapel, (Guilford) Gant's Chapel and Pine Ridge, were unanimously received into Conference.

On motion of J. N. Manning, it was

Resolved, That the money collected, or may hereafter be collected for the benefit of the Tennessee Christian Conference, be held subject to their order.

On motion of A. G. Anderson, the Treasurer of the Conference Fund was instructed to pay the widow of Elder Jesse K. Cole, deceased, twenty dollars.

On motion, by Elder Manning, the ministers and laymen connected with this Conference are requested to act as agents in procuring life members to the Home Missionary Society, and report to Conference.

On motion, the thanks of Conference were tendered to the Central and Raleigh & Gaston Railroad companies for permitting the members of this Conference to pass over their routes for one fare both ways.

On motion, Conference adjourned to meet at Hank's Chapel on Wednesday before the second Sunday in October, 1861.

Singing and prayer by Elder W. B. Wellons.

E. F. WATSON, *President*.

SOLOMON APPLE, *Secretary*.

HOME MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

The Home Missionary Society of the North Carolina and Virginia Christian Conference met, pursuant to adjournment, at Pleasant Hill, Chatham County, N. C., October 13th, 1860.

The Society was called to order by A. G. Anderson, former President.

On motion, A. G. Anderson was re-elected President for the ensuing year. A. Iseley, Vice President, and E. F. Watson, Secretary. Elder J. McCulloch, Treasurer.

On motion the following Committee was appointed to audit the Treasurer's accounts: Elders B. N. Hopkins, S. Apple, and G. G. Walker.

On motion, the ministers were requested to pay over the amounts collected from their churches the past year.

Elder Iseley paid for Union Church	\$8.00.
Elder P. W. Allen, Oak Level and Pope's Chapel.....	2.18.
J. N. Manning report for self.....	60.
J. N. Manning do. C. A. Apple.....	60.
J. N. Manning do. M. G. Turner.....	30.
Miss J. F. Apple.....	30.
P. W. Allen report for self.....	60.

Total..... \$12.58.

On motion, Society adjourned to meet to-night at 9 o'clock.

Society met. The President in the chair.

The following report was submitted by the committee to aid in supplying Newbern Church with preaching, and adopted.

On motion, the following were elected an Executive Committee for the present year: Elders T. J. Fowler, Wm. H. Read, John Faucett, P. R. Hardin, and E. F. Watson.

On motion, the following were elected a Board of Directors: Elders J. N. Manning, J. I. Hobby, H. B. Hayes, B. N. Hopkins, A. Apple, R. G. Tinnin, P. W. Allen, A. Moring, B. Strowd, R. D. Jones, P. M. Tuck.

On motion, the Secretary was ordered to prepare a bond to be used by the agents of this Society.

On motion, a collection was then taken up for membership to the Society, when the following persons enrolled their names, with the amount to be paid by each member:

R. Tuck.....	\$10.00	Ahijah Macon.....	5.00
B. Gragson.....	10.00	Miss P. Macon.....	5.00
A. Fulton.....	10.00	C. T. Macon.....	5.00
Miss Sarah J. Gragson.....	10.00	J. C. Holt.....	5.00
W. K. Martin.....	10.00	Miss S. M. Ferrell.....	5.00
Dr. S. J. Moffitt.....	10.00	E. H. Straughn.....	5.00
J. A. Long.....	10.00	A. Martin.....	5.00
T. H. Lawrence.....	10.00	B. H. Edwards.....	5.00
Dr. B. A. Sellars.....	10.00	J. T. Ball.....	5.00
Miss J. F. Teague.....	10.00	Miss Mary Lawrence.....	5.00
J. A. Faucett.....	10.00	John Goodrich.....	5.00
H. L. Freeman.....	10.00	Miss Susannah E. Sellars..	5.00
S. M. Holt.....	10.00	Col. H. Marshall.....	10.00
Mathew McCollum.....	10.00	Jacob Marshall.....	5.00
J. B. Stone.....	10.00	R. J. Hatch.....	5.00
J. W. Wellons.....	5.00	J. O. Mullins.....	10.00
J. G. Garrison.....	10.00	Elder J. N. Manning.....	10.00
Isaiah Macon.....	10.00	Samuel Way.....	5.00
H. A. Albright.....	5.00	Ira Henshaw.....	10.00
W. S. Albright.....	5.00	R. C. Tuck.....	5.00
J. Q. Fish.....	5.00	Charles F. Read.....	5.00
J. B. McLeod.....	5.00	Martha H. Haskins.....	5.00
J. M. Gilliam.....	5.00	H. B. Hayes.....	5.00
L. L. Lambeth.....	5.00	Elias Macon.....	5.00
Gibeon Macon.....	5.00	Miss Rosana Macon.....	5.00
M. C. Winston.....	10.00		

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

John Brady.....	paid	50 cents.	M. Murchison.....	paid	50
H. G. Purcell.....	"	50	Wm. Wellons, Tinnin....	"	50
James Brady.....	"	25	Chas. Wellons, Winston.	"	50
J. O. Cogwell.....	"	25	Wm. Wellons, Madison..	"	50
B. Gardner.....	"	50	Henry Wellons, Macon...	"	50
J. R. Gunter.....	"	50			

On motion, resolved, that the President appoint some person to deliver an address at 11 o'clock on to-morrow, and take up a Missionary collection.

On motion, an order was made to pay Elder H. B. Hayes for his services with the Newbern Church.

On motion, ordered that \$50.00 be placed at the disposal of the Executive Committee, to aid the above church the present Conference year.

The Chair appointed Elder J. N. Manning to deliver an address on to-morrow.

On motion, the minutes of this Society were ordered to be published with the Minutes of Conference, and that the expenses of the same be paid out of any money in the hands of the Treasurer.

On motion, the Society adjourned to meet Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

E. F. WATSON, *Secretary*.

October 14, 1860. Received of E. F. Watson, Secretary of the Home Missionary Society, seventeen dollars and fifty-eight cents, it being the amount collected at Pleasant Hill.

J. McCULLOCH, *Treas.*

The society failed to meet on Monday, but the following names were subscribed as members :

John H. Allen \$10.00,	Geo. Lowman \$5.00,	Wm. Nelson \$5.00
Benjamin Way 50,	D. T. Way 50,	T. H. Fowler 50

Received of E. F. Watson, Secretary of the Home Missionary Society, one dollar and sixty-five cents. 18th October, 1860.

J. McCULLOCH, *Treas.*







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